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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Takatoshi YAMANAKA

Serial No. 09/495,931

Group Art Unit: 2625

Confirmation No. 5469

Filed: February 2, 2000

Examiner: CHOOBIN, BARRY

For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS AND PROGRAM STORAGE MEDIUM

AMENDMENT

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This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 17, 2003, and having a period for response set to expire on October 17, 2003.

A Petition for a three-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to January 17, 2004.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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